secrecy of the voting; and no such officer, clerk or agent shall attempt to obtain at such counting, any information or communicate any information obtained at such country as to the candidate for whom any vote is given in any particular ballot

8. Every one who violates any of the provisions of this Penalty. section shall be liable [on summary conviction] to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars, and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour. 10 in default of payment of such penalty.

R.S.C., c. 8, s. 70, part; 1888, c. 11, s. 13, part.

96. No person who has voted at an election shall, in any Secrecy of legal proceeding questioning the election or return, be required vote protected. to state for whom he voted.

R S.C., c. 8, s. 71.

97. No person shall be allowed to inspect any ballot paper Inspection of in the custody of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, except ballot papers. under the rule or order of a superior court or a judge thereof,which rule or order may be granted by such court or judge on 20 being satisfied by evidence on oath that the inspection or production of such ballot papers is required for the purpose of instituting or maintaining a prosecution for an offence in relation to ballot papers, or for the purpose of a petition which has been filed questioning an election or return; and any such 25 rule or order for the inspection or production of ballot papers may be made subject to such conditions as to persons, time, place and mode of inspection or production as the court or

judge thinks expedient, and shall be obeyed by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

R.S.C. c. 8, s. 72.

## KEEPING THE PEACE AND GOOD ORDER AT ELECTIONS.

98. Each returning officer and each deputy returning officer Returning from the time he takes the oath of office until the day after officers and the closing of the election shall be a conservator of the peace, to be conserinvested with all the powers appertaining to a justice of the peace. 35 peace.

R.S.C., c. 8, s. 73.

99. Every returning officer or deputy returning officer may May comrequire the assistance of justices of the peace, constables or mand assistance, etc. other persons present, to aid him in maintaining peace and

40 good order at such election; and may also, on a requisition special commade in writing by any candidate, or by his agent, or by any stables. two electors, swear in such special constables as he deems necessary.

R.S.C., c. 8, s. 74.

100. Every returning officer or deputy returning officer may May arrest arrest or cause by verbal order to be arrested, and place in the disturbers. custody of any constables or other persons, any person disturbing the peace and good order at the election, and may cause such person to be imprisoned under an order signed by him 50 until an hour not later than the close of the poll. R.S.C., c. 8, s. 75.